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Application No: 09/939,860

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5 Title: Biodegradable Plant Shell
Applicant: Cook, Lynnwood C.
Group: 3643
Examiner: Griles, Bethany L.

10 Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE A

In response to the Office Action dated November 2, 2004, please amend the present

15 application as follows:

Please amend the claims in the manner set forth in the attached claim amendments.